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British Capture a Krupp Gun From Dewet at Caledon River.

General Knox Is Giving Boer Leader No Chance to Rest.

Canadian Soldiers Entertained At Woolwich as Guests of War Office.

Aliwal North, Cape Colony, Dec. 7.—After the light at Steerk Spruit, Gen. Dewet doubled south, during the night, crossed the Caledon river, marched to Odendal Drift, where he found the stream impassable. He returned east and marched along the north bank of the Orange river until within 15 miles of Aliwal North, and then turned north-west in the direction of Rousville.

Gen. Knox dogged his steps the whole day. Dewet's forces were thoroughly exhausted. Three hundred of their dead and dying horses were counted between Smithfield road and the Orange river.

London, Dec. 7.—A despatch from Kitchener, dated Bloemfontein, December 7, confirms the news from Aliwal North that Gen. Dewet's main force was hard pressed. He adds that Gen. Knox captured the Krupp gun which Dewet abandoned near the Caledon river, and continued in pursuit of Dewet. The despatch adds that while the British were handing over women at the request of the Boers, under a flag of truce at Belfast on December 5, a force of 100 Boers unsuccessfully attacked a neighboring infantry post.

Montreal, Dec. 7.—The Star's London cablegram says:

"Col. Buchan and eight officers and one hundred Canadian soldiers were guests of the war office at Woolwich to-day and were shown through the war factories. The gun-carriage factory was handsomely decorated with flags and maple leaves carved in wood, and mottoes such as 'Welcome Canadian Cousins.'

"The Canadians were entertained at luncheon at the Royal Artillery barracks, and were especially honored in their march through decorated streets by the presence of the band of the Tenth Hussars.

"To-day marks the close of the entertainment to the Canadians."

"Mr. Kruger has abandoned all the proposed journey to other capitals," says the Brussels correspondent of the Standard, "and all further diplomatic efforts to secure arbitration, and will await at The Hague the developments of events at the seat of war."

"There has been no diplomatic rupture between Holland and Portugal," says the correspondent of the Standard at The Hague, "and the ministers will return to their respective courts to which they are assigned in the course of a few days."

MERCIER EXPLAINS.

Wants to Prepare For Invading England, But Not to Appear Aggressive.

Paris, Dec. 7.—The senate to-day adopted the naval bill after a short discussion. Senator Compos (Progressive), representing Charante Inferieure, urged the building of twenty additional cruisers to prey upon Great Britain's commerce in case of war.

The minister of marine, M. Delanese, replied that the number of cruisers projected in the present bill would suffice for France's needs.

Gen. Mercier then rose and alluded to his speech of December 4, when he urged training the army in embarkation and disembarkation drills, so as to be ready for an invasion of England. He said he was unable to understand the sensation his remarks had produced. He did not desire war with Great Britain, but he thought the duty of the government was to provide for such an eventuality. He repudiated any intention to appear aggressive towards Great Britain.

INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION.

Appointment of British Members Has Been Made.

London, Dec. 7.—The Queen's appointments to the international arbitration court are Lord Pauncefoot, Sir Edward Malet (formerly British ambassador to Germany), Right Hon. Sir Edward Fry (a former Lord Justice of Appeal), and John Westlake (professor of international law in Cambridge University since 1888).

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SILVER-LEAD ORES.

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Vancouver, Dec. 7.—(Special)—The steamer Umattila took to San Francisco from this port to-day, 1,200 tons of concentrated silver-lead ore. This ore is from the Moyie mines, British Columbia. It will be transferred to the steamer Kosmos, of the Chili-San Francisco line, at San Francisco, and is consigned to the Guggenheim Bros' smelter, at Autogastaga, Chili.

The funeral of William Wilson, which took place to-day, was largely attended by the Knights of Pythias, of which order Mr. Wilson was a prominent member.

Another crowded house greeted the comedy "Why Smith Left Home," presented at the Vancouver opera house last night. The local press speak highly of the play.

J. Lovels, formerly M.P. for Haggerstone, England, addressed the board of trade to-night on reciprocal trade relations with Great Britain. At the conclusion of his very able and very interesting address, Mr. Lowles was tendered a hearty vote of thanks.

BERLIN'S POPULATION.

Germany's Capital Will Soon Have Two Million People.

Berlin, Dec. 7.—The census returns show Berlin has a population of 1,881,345, compared with 1,677,304 in 1895.

Conservatives Are Only Seven

The Liberals Win Nearly All the Seats in Quebec Elections.

Results Show a Substantial Gain For the Government Party.

Montreal, Dec. 7.—Returns of the Quebec provincial elections show that the new house will consist of 67 Liberals and 7 Conservatives.

A. W. Atwater, former Conservative treasurer, ran again in St. Lawrence division of Montreal, but was beaten by \$32 and lost his deposit. The figures are: James Cochrane (Lib.), 1,567; A. W. Atwater, 744. In the last provincial election Atwater had 274 majority.

Nantel (Con.) was defeated in Terrebonne by 119. Hackett (Con.) was defeated in Stanstead by 253. Leblanc, Conservative Speaker, was re-elected in Laval. The whole six divisions of Montreal are Liberal, four members being elected by acclamation. The Conservatives elected were Girard, in Compton; Pelletier, in Dorchester; Tellier, in Joliette; Leblanc, in Laval; Lemay, in L'Assommoir; and Nicolet; and L. Heureux, in St. Johns.

Elections take place later in Chicoutimi, Gaspe and Magdalen Islands.

VAN HORNE IN CUBA.

Tells What His Company Intend Doing With Central Railway.

Havana, Dec. 7.—Sir William Van Horne has arrived in Havana, after inspecting the proposed route of the central railroad. The company of which Sir William is the head now owns the line operating between Santiago and San Luis, and plan to construct a line from Santa Clara to connect with it, the distance being 335 miles.

"Our company is making a purchase of a strip of land 40 metres wide along the entire route," said Sir William to-day. "The titles are being rapidly passed, and we expect the road to be finished in about 18 months. We shall probably employ 5,000 workmen."

OFFERS TO VANCOUVER

Schemes For Steamer Service to Skagway Considered By the City Council.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, Dec. 7.—The finance committee of the city council met at 4 o'clock to-day to consider the offer of Messrs. Johnson & Burnett to place three steamers on the route between Vancouver and Skagway, provided the city guaranteed 5 per cent. interest on \$300,000, or \$15,000 a year, for seven years. Messrs. Johnson & Burnett urged a reply, as a cablegram had been received from their English principals to ask for an immediate answer. It was announced that the C. P. N. Co. were making a similar offer, and that the city was said to have an offer ready by which three steamers would be supplied without a bonus. It was also expected that a fourth offer was coming from Mr. Spinks, who is in England engineering a similar deal. It was decided to invite all those who decide to submit their Vancouver-Skagway steamship line proposition to a special meeting of the city council to be held at 4 p.m. on Monday to consider them, so that the most desirable offer might be placed before the people in the shape of a by-law.

VOTED DOWN.

Motion to Inquire Into Slavery in French Colonies Lost.

Paris, Dec. 7.—The chamber of deputies to-day rejected a motion providing for a parliamentary inquiry into slavery and cruelty in the French colonies. The premier, M. Waldeck-Rousseau, denounced the opposition's tactics of constantly bringing charges against the administrative officials. He said a commission of inquiry would be tantamount to putting the entire colonial administration on the stand, and he added that the government would not retain power for a moment at such a price. He regarded the motion as one of want of confidence. The motion was defeated by a vote of 409 to 116.

Discusses The War

Debate on South African Affairs. Continues in House of Commons.

Mr. Chamberlain Says Three Objects Aimed at by Government.

Guerrillas Put Down, Pacification Accomplished, Self-Government Will Follow.

London, Dec. 7.—In pursuance of an agreement reached by the Liberals, owing to the unsatisfactory nature of the government's explanations, Mr. Chamberlain moved an amendment to the address in the House to-day, to the effect that it would conduce to the pacification and future good relations of the races of Africa, if measures securing the liberty and returning of those who surrender and providing for the future settlement of the territories, be announced at the earliest moment possible.

Mr. Chamberlain said the government hoped (it was hope, and not prophesy) that very shortly, indeed, before the house met again, something in the nature of a civil administration might be established in both the Orange River and Transvaal colonies. Sir Alfred Milner, he added, would be appointed governor of both.

Here Mr. V. Duncan Pirie, Liberal member for North Aberdeen, a former captain of the Aberdeenshire militia, who recently returned from Africa, where he went to look after the remounts department, when the war broke out, interrupted Mr. Chamberlain by saying: "You will lose South Africa."

Continuing, Mr. Chamberlain said that a lieutenant-governor would be appointed for the Orange River Colony, and that both governments would have executive councils, but not necessarily the same constitution. Mr. Chamberlain also said he had suggested to Sir Alfred Milner to issue proclamations in English and Dutch, setting forth the government's intentions, which were animated by no vindictiveness against the men in arms. The government thought it impossible that reasonable men could ask it to fix a day when full self-government could be granted. The government had laid down three objects:

First, to end the guerrilla war. It would not surprise him if the Boers had destroyed more farms than the English. Never in history had a war been waged with so much humanity. The women had only been deported for their protection. The native population was anxious for justice, and it had been shown that in no case had a British soldier been justly accused. The farm burning was greatly exaggerated. Lord Roberts had only sanctioned the burning of farms as punishment in case of complicity in the rebellion or damage done to the railways. The government sustained Gen. Roberts' absolute authority.

The government was bound to leave large discretion to the military.

The second object was, that when pacification was accomplished, a crown government would be instituted.

The third object was ultimate self-government.

THE REASON WHY.

Germany Declined to Receive Mr. Kruger For Good Reasons.

Berlin, Dec. 7.—In the reichstag to-day, in answer to Herr Roschke's interpellation, respecting that Mr. Kruger had not been received, but had been turned away from the gates of Germany out of regard for another power, contrary to the feeling of the nation, the minister for the interior replied that it was easy for irresponsible deputies to give expression to popular currents of opinion. A man occupying the responsible post of chancellor of the German empire, who was answerable not only for the peace of Germany, but also, under certain circumstances, for the peace of the world, could not allow himself to be influenced by such popular waves of opinion. For him there was but one course to preserve the peace, safety, welfare and interests of the Fatherland.

Before the budget committee to-day the imperial chancellor, Count von Bulow, asking for an indemnity for the despatch of the expedition to China, as well as the expenses thereof, declared that the troops sent to China would be disbanded as soon as the war there should be accomplished, as a legal basis neither existed nor would be created for their permanent embodiment. The indemnity was granted.

THE PACIFIC CABLE.

Why It Will Cost More Than It Otherwise Would.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—(Special)—It transpires that the cost of the Pacific cable is \$475,000 more than it would have cost had not the Laurier government thrown down the scheme in 1897. At that time the Australian premiers when in England were warmly in favor of an arrangement being consummated. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was the stumbling block. At a conference held in Mr. Chamberlain's office he announced that he mistrusted the estimates of the promoters. Canada pays five-eighths of the cost, so that Sir Wilfrid's dilatorious means an actual loss to Canada of \$160,000.

The department of militia is still without advice from South Africa as to the probable date of departure for home of the second contingent.

SIR CHARLES WARREN.

Announcement That He Will Succeed General Seymour in Canada.

London, Dec. 7.—The Westminster Gazette says that Gen. Sir Charles Warren, at one time commissioner of the metropolitan police, has been nominated commander of the British troops in Canada.

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Returning To
The Capital

Palace Officials Say Emperor
Intends Returning in a
Few Days.

Kang Yu Wei Sends a Letter of
Advice to Foreign
Envoys.

London, Dec. 8.—Sheng announces that Gen. Tung Fu Hsiang is proceeding to the province of Kang Su, says the Shanghai correspondent of the Standard. Palace officials report that the Empress Dowager will leave Sian Fu December 17, and that Emperor Kwang Su will go direct to Peking.

Peking, Dec. 7.—The foreign envoys received today a letter signed by Kang Yu Wei, the well-known Cantonese reformer, who was formerly adviser of Emperor Kwang Su, and who has always been favorable to foreigners. Kang Yu Wei says that great calamities have befallen China through the Empress Dowager and also in consequence of her advisers, Prince Tuan, Prince Ching, Yung Lu, Yang Yi, Chae Shu Chiao, Kang Fu, Moyn Kuen, and Hirono. He says he is thankful that the foreigners held out in the legation buildings in Peking, and all the Chinese who understand the law of nations regret the murder of Baron von Ketteler.

He then says he desires to make suggestions which will insure the just punishment of the real culprits, satisfaction to the different courts, and a permanent settlement of the international relations of China.

First—That the Empress and her advisers should not be allowed to negotiate the peace.

Second—That the Emperor, who is a friend of the foreigners, should be restored.

Third—That all reactionary officials should be arrested, and that a careful watch should be kept over the so-called victors in the south.

Unless Yung Lu, Prince Tuan and the others are severely dealt with, Kang Yu Wei contends that they will continue to say that the foreigners are powerless.

"The foreigners should not rely upon the viceroys," continued the Cantonese reformer. "They need men, money and obedient servants. Should the Emperor be restored the empire would rejoice. The Emperor's party consists of the most enlightened men, who are friendly to the foreigners and desire to incorporate Western civilization and culture in an ancient country."

Kang Yu Wei points out that he was authorized for the task by a secret edict of the Emperor in 1898, when he made his appeal on behalf of the Emperor to the foreign powers, "an appeal which, had they listened, would probably have prevented what has happened."

Berlin, Dec. 7.—With reference to the news communicated from London that an agreement had been made at Peking, a high official of the German foreign office, who is empowered to speak in the name of Count von Bulow, the imperial chancellor, said this evening:

"The report is correct, but there are still some minor points unsettled. It was clear from the first that the note formulated by the foreign envoys in London would not be accepted. Now that the envoys are agreed, and the note is acceptable to the United States, there should not be exaltation as if the other powers had bowed to the will of one nation. They are all free to take what course they choose in the interests of peace and harmony."

He then altered the note to meet the views of the United States. It is to be hoped that the fact that Germany has gone so far in complying with the wishes of the United States will meet with recognition in the United States."

The Peking correspondent of the Deutsche Zeitung writes that several German marine officers discovered Sir Claude Macdonald, former British minister at Peking, and Lady Macdonald personally superintending coolies who were carrying off treasures from the Chinese imperial palace to the British legation buildings.

NEWFOUNDLAND CABINET.

Personnel of the Reconstructed Ministry Shows More Members.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 7.—Mr. Bond, the premier, having secured the consent of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, for an enlargement of the Newfoundland cabinet, owing to the importance of problems associated with the Reid contract, announces the following as the personnel of the reconstructed ministry: Premier and colonial secretary, Robert Bond; minister of justice, William Horwood; minister of finance, Edward Jackman; leader of the legislative council, George Knowlton; minister of agriculture, Eli Daves; minister of fisheries, Thomas Murphy; minister of public works, George Gushue; members of the cabinet without portfolio, Edward Morris, August Harvey, James Pitts, Henry Woods and James S. Ryan. Messrs. Daves, Murphy and Gushue are not in the cabinet.

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Re-Union of
The Pioneers

Thirtieth Annual Dinner Held at
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Evening.

Mayor Hayward Makes an Important Announcement Regarding Civic Policy.

The thirtieth annual dinner under the auspices of the B. C. Pioneer Society, at the Victoria hotel yesterday evening, in attendance, excellence of the fare provided, and entertaining speeches, was in every sense a decided success. Mayor Hayward, who was present, seized the occasion to make an important announcement in civic policy which will be received with very great interest by the public, viz., that a scheme will shortly be laid before the electors for the reclamation of the James Bay flats and the construction of a permanent roadway in place of the present bridge.

A complete list of those present at the dinner is as follows: Hon. J. H. Turner; E. Pearson; Hon. Abram E. Smith; United States Consul; Hon. E. C. Prior; Lt.-Col. Grant; Chas. Redfern; C. H. Lugin; Joseph W. Carey; T. J. Burnes; James Muirhead; C. A. Gregg; D. F. Adams; Andrew Tolmie; Thomas Russell; Noah Shakespeare; W. H. Bone; W. Harrison; Wm. Beaumont; Allan Graham; Hon. Byron; John Cooper; W. Thompson; Capt. Christensen; James Gorgenson; Lawrence Goodacre; Chas. Holtz; E. Metcalf; James Hepworth; John Hall; J. Moresby; J. H. Mansell; H. Smith; W. H. Pooley; J. A. Salt; A. Jack; R. T. John; John Reese; Tom Flewin; John Robertson; J. Blackburn; W. H. L. Lush; J. H. Dickinson; John Speed; R. Hall, M.P.P.; and Ald. Hall.

The dinner was a most excellent one and great praise was bestowed upon the chef of the Victoria for the success of his effort to tickle the palates of those present. The menu was as follows:

Oysters on Half Shell.
Celery.
SOUP.
Royal Consomme.
FISH.
Boiled Fraser River Salmon, Anchovy Sauce.
Layonnaise Potatoes.
ENTREES.
Tenderloin of Beef and Mushrooms.
French Peas.
Bacon and Beans.
SALAD.
Crab Salad, Mayonnaise. Potato Salad.
ROAST.
Island Turkey, Sage Dressing, Cranberry Sauce.
Prime Ribs of Beef, au Jus.
VEGETABLES.
Mashed Potatoes, Stewed Turnips in Cream.
DESSERT.
English Plum Pudding, Hard and Brandy Sauce.
Vanilla Ice Cream.
Lady Fingers, Chocolate Layers.
Fruit. Coffee.
Strawberry Jelly, Lemon Jelly, Pineapple Jelly, Orange Jelly.
WINE LIST.
Sherry. Sweet-Catawba. Claret.
Beer. Cigars.

Music was supplied by Haynes' orchestra. The dining-room was appropriately decorated with bunting. At the back of the president's chair hung a portrait of Governor Douglas and the banner of the society. The president of the society, Mr. E. Pearson, presided, and on his right sat His Worship Mayor Hayward, Hon. J. H. Turner, Alderman John Hall, Richard Hall, M.P.P., and C. H. Lugin; on his left, U. S. Consul Abram E. Smith, Hon. E. C. Prior, Lt.-Col. Grant and Mr. Charles E. Redfern.

Full justice having been done the splendid dinner, the secretary, Mr. Allan Graham, read letters of regret at inability to attend from Lieut.-Governor Sir John A. Macdonald, Capt. Fleet, R.N., and Frank Higgins, of the Native Sons society.

President Pearson felt sure that all present would keenly regret Sir Henri Joly's absence. The gentleman who occupied the post of Lieutenant-Governor of the province was most deservedly respected, though only living for a short time in the province. Touching upon matters pertaining to the objects of the Pioneer Society, the speaker told of the trials which they had undergone in the early days, when they had labored amidst the snow-covered hills of Caribou. Times had changed since the olden days, and the thought for the future. On all sides now there was a feeling of confidence, the policies of the country having become settled and the outlook was most reassuring.

The toast list was then taken up, the healths of Her Majesty the Queen, the Prince of Wales and the Royal Family being drunk with great enthusiasm. President Pearson, in a neat speech, then proposed the health of the President of the United States, Allan Graham followed with a recitation of a poem on the theme, "Blood is Thicker Than Water."

U. S. Consul Smith, in reply to the toast, made a pleasing speech, full of local allusions, which were received with great appreciation. After alluding to the proud position occupied by President McKinley at the head of a great nation, comprising 76,000,000 people, he expressed the pleasure he felt at being among his friends, the exiles of Victoria. He felt that if he was not a pioneer, he was at least becoming one of the old residents, having resided in the city consecutively for 40 months. It had been charged that the United States changes its officials too frequently, but he, during his short stay, had seen no less than four premiers of British Columbia and three lieutenant-governors. (Laughter.) He was very much

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placed at the civic improvements to be noticed on every hand, and hoped that the good work might go on. He concluded a very neat speech by expressing approval of the cordial relations which existed between the United States and Great Britain.

Charles Holmes then entertained the assembly with a vocal solo, "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean," which elicited loud applause.

Vice-President W. Harrison then proposed the toast of the "Governor-General of Canada," alluding to His Excellency's recent visit to British Columbia. The toast was drunk with great enthusiasm.

Col. Prior, in the absence of Mr. J. B. Lovell, who was down far the toast, next proposed the health of the Lieutenant-Governor. All present, he felt sure, could be sorry to hear of Sir Henri Joly's illness and glad to learn that it was not of a serious character. Sir Henri was a man among men, courteous, obliging and affable—a good cross between the old French nobleman and the English squire. (Applause.) He was, besides, no figurehead in his official position. He had shown to the world that he could testify as he attended his office regularly and took an active interest in all social functions. He hoped that when his term of office was over he would still remain a resident of the city. (Loud applause.)

J. W. Carey then proposed "The Senate of the United States and Local Government," discussing the progress of political events in a brief speech, and expressing approval of the policy of the Laurier government.

Col. Prior replied briefly on behalf of the Commons. He created laughter by saying that he had better seize that occasion to reply, as it might be his last, in view of the threat of his friends the enemy to unseat himself and his colleague, Mr. Earle. Whatever might be said of the political parties in Canada, he felt all would agree they were anxious to do their best for the country's welfare. (Applause.)

Hon. J. H. Turner also replied and delivered a very pleasing speech. He thought the policy of the present provincial administration would prove to be one in the interests of the country, and that no complaint could be made of its record so far. He alluded to the government's patriotic action in offering to send a contingent from British Columbia to South Africa to help the Mother land in her day of need; and, alluding to the night of the British Empire, told a story which had impressed him very much when he had read it. On a steamship in mid-ocean a burly engineer, middle-aged, was standing telling a spirited sea-faring story. He had reached a most exciting part, when the light which had been silent a moment, began impressively its closing piece, the British national anthem. As simply as if he was unconscious of what he was doing, he stopped his story, uncovered, and resting his head against his breast, slightly bowed his grizzled head. There was something fine about it. He was one of a myriad, scattered over every part of the globe, who, by turns, were doing, every hour of the twenty-four—those awake doing it while others slept, exactly as he had done—those impressive bars floating up and out of the various climes, never silent and never without record.

Richard Hall, M. P. P., also responded to the toast. Although not exactly a pioneer, he had lived over 41 years in the country, and felt he was almost one of them. Alluding to the provincial government, he thought he was associated in the house with gentlemen well qualified to represent the interests of British Columbia. (Applause.) He recalled some reminiscences of the olden days, and spoke optimistically of the future of Victoria.

Mr. Thomas Flewin then sang, amidst great enthusiasm, "Just Forty Years Ago," the pioneers joining in the chorus. The toast, "The Army, Navy and Veterans," was proposed by Mr. E. Redfern in a very excellent speech, the speaker reciting the deeds of valor which had done so much to cement the Empire into one great harmonious whole. Col. Grant responded, eulogizing the navy for its splendid services in China and South Africa, and mentioning naval army returns.

In the absence of Mr. H. D. Helmeke, Mr. C. H. Lugin accepted the task of proposing the toast "British Columbia Pioneers." He regretted that he had not had time to give the theme a little thought before attempting to speak. He dwelt briefly on the importance of the work done by the pioneers, and, alluding for a moment to provincial politics, expressed the hope that the government would adopt such a policy as would enable all present to reap some of the many advantages which ought to follow from residence in a country so richly endowed with natural resources.

The next toast, "The Mayor and Council," was proposed by N. Shakespeare, who spoke approvingly of the speaker who spoke approvingly of the good work done in improving the city during 1900. Mayor Hayward replied and delivered what proved to be the most important speech of the evening, announcing, as he did, that a by-law would shortly be submitted to the people, looking to the removal of the long-standing James Bay bridge nuisance. City Engineer Topp, he said, had been engaged for some time preparing plans for the reclamation of the James Bay flats, and had now completed his task. It was proposed to build on the west boundary line of the bridge a permanent seawall, pump out the water inside and fill up level to the streets. The total cost of the work would be, approximately, \$150,000. The land thus obtained would be divided into lots, the value of which would pay for the entire cost of the improvement. It was proposed to let the improvement for a low rental, and at the end of that time they would revert to the city as a valuable asset. (Applause.)

Ald. Hall also responded briefly to the toast, "Sister Societies," "Bench and Bar," "The Press," and "The Ladies" were other toasts which kept the gathering to a late hour.

MURDERED.

Body of Missing Man Found Under a Hay Pile.

Greenville, Mich., Dec. 7.—Four miles mysteriously disappeared, and soon afterwards a man named Aplin appeared in the village and disposed of most of Campbell's property, claiming

that he had purchased it from him. Soon afterwards he suddenly left town. Aplin's selling the property so soon after Campbell's disappearance aroused the suspicions of the townspeople. A search was instituted for Campbell. To-day his body was found packed in lime in a hole under an old hay-mow on the place where Aplin lived. The skull was crushed and the body badly decomposed.

BURRARD ELECTION.
Further Returns Add a Hundred to Maxwell's Majority.

Vancouver, Dec. 7.—(Special).—Returns from the islands received late to-night add an even 100 to Maxwell's majority, as below:

	Maxwell.	Garden.
Marble Bay (Texada).....	15	14
Lund.....	35	6
Whaletooth.....	9	0
Valdez Island.....	10	0
Totals.....	120	20

To the Deaf.—A rich lady, cured of her deafness and noises in the head by Dr. Nicholson's Artificial Ear Drums, gave \$5,000 to his Institute, so that deaf people unable to procure the Ear Drums may have them free. Address 204 The Nicholson Institute, Longcott, Ginnetham, London, W.

SUPREME COURT.

Decisions on British Columbia Appeals Delivered Yesterday.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—(Special).—The Supreme court to-day gave judgment in the following British Columbia cases: *Galbraith v. Hudson Bay Co.*; judgment for Sun Life, with costs of appeal and costs below against respondent. *Union Colliery Co. v. Queen*; appeal dismissed with costs. *Federation Canning Co. v. Short*; appeal dismissed with costs.

Galbraith v. Hudson Bay Co.; appeal allowed with costs, including costs of Supreme Court of British Columbia.

My friend, look here! You know how weak and nervous your wife is, and you know that Carter's Pills will relieve her of a woe that may not be fair about it and buy her a box.

COMING TO TERMS.

Boat and Shoe Men Have Modus Vivendi Pending Decision.

Quebec, Dec. 7.—The boot and shoe manufacturers will re-open their doors on Monday, both sides having agreed to accept the decision of Archbishop Begin regarding questions at issue. The men resume their former positions at former wages. The men have agreed not to attend union meetings until a decision is reached.

As a braceer Jesse Moore never fails.

INVALIDED CANADIANS.

Thirty-one Reach Halifax on the Allan Liner Tunisian.

Halifax, Dec. 7.—The Allan liner Tunisian, with 31 invalided Canadians on board, arrived here this morning at 12:15. Among the invalids was Trooper Mulloy, the blind soldier, whose speech at Liverpool before sailing was hailed by the Associated Press. He is a native of Winchester, Ont., and is blind for life, having been struck by an explosive bullet in the left temple, which knocked out his left eye, cut part of his nose away and destroyed the sight of the right eye. The other invalids belong to the N. W. M. P. and Eastern Canada battalions.

First Mermald—What luck are we in! Second Mermald—What is it, dear? First Mermald—A ship loaded with rainy day skirts has just sunk—Chicago News.

TO LET—1 cent, 1 word, 1 issue in the Colonist, will find a tenant

"What do you propose to do?" asked the diplomat.

"You mean what do I propose doing," said the Chinaman, who has not known English very long, and is very particular about it.

"No, I don't. My conviction is that you don't propose doing anything. Your activity is confined to offers of optimistic suggestions."—Washington Star.

BORN.

CRAIGIE—In this city, on the 7th instant, the wife of Eli Craigie, of a son.

DIED.

GOWDY—At the family residence, No. 31 Rock Road, on the 7th instant, William Gowdy, a native of County Derry, Ireland; aged 75 years.

The funeral will take place from the residence as above on Sunday afternoon, at 2:30 p.m.

Friends please accept this intimation.

LINES—On the 6th instant, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Edward Lines, aged 33 years, a native of Oxford Co., England.

The funeral will take place TO-DAY at 2:45 p.m. from the Hanna Parlors, Douglas street, and later Christ Church Cathedral.

Friends will please accept this intimation. (Toronto and Winnipeg papers please copy.)

Board of Licensing Commissioners.

The Board of Licensing Commissioners will sit in the Police Court, City Hall, on Wednesday next, the 12th instant, at 2:30 p.m.

By order,
WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
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Dec. 8, 1900.

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NOTICE is hereby given that by order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, dated 2nd December, 1900, administration of the personal estate, effects and credits of the above named David Dale, deceased, was granted to Samuel S. Junior, and Sarah Elizabeth Dale, co-executors named in the last will of the said David Dale. All debts owing to the said estate are to be paid to the said executors at 89 Douglas street, in the city of Victoria, and all claims against the said estate are to be presented, duly verified, to the said executors at 89 Douglas street aforesaid, on or before the 8th day of January, 1901.

S. S. SEA, JR.
SARAH E. SEA,
Executors of the estate of the above named David Dale, deceased.

Supplementary Notice Respecting the Rebate on Exported Timber.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Order-in-Council of the 23rd August, 1900, which provides for the discontinuance, from the 1st day of July, 1900, of the rebate on all timber exported beyond the limits of the Province, has been amended so as to provide that the said rebate shall be allowed to and be discontinued from the 31st of December, 1900, on all timber shipped for FOREIGN ports without the Dominion.

J. D. PRENTICE,
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
3rd December, 1900.

HIS HONOR the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council has been pleased to make the following appointments:

5th December, 1900.

James McB. Smith, of the City of Victoria, Esquire, to be Deputy Minister of Finance, vice Alfred Elliott, deceased.

John A. Anderson, of the City of Victoria, Esquire, to be Auditor-General, vice J. McB. Smith, Esquire.

Henry A. S. Morley, of the City of Victoria, Esquire, to be Auditor, vice J. A. Anderson, Esquire.

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DRESSMAKING PARLORS FOR RENT—As Mrs. Fraser is retiring from business on Jan. 1, the rooms now occupied by her at 45 Fort street, will on that date be for rent, furnished. Apply Miss McDonald, 45 Menzies street. n27

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EDUCATIONAL.

EDUCATIONAL—Miss C. G. Fox has reopened her school, at 36 Mason street. n7

SHORTHAND SCHOOL—15 Broad street (adjacent to the Victoria Hotel), in shorthand, typewriting, book-keeping. n30

LODGES AND SOCIETIES.

VANCOUVER & QUADRA LODGE, No. 2, A. F. & M. E. S., meets 3rd Wednesday of each month, at 2:00 o'clock, Temperance Hall, 8 p.m. A. MAXWELL MUIR, Secretary.

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 sult the Night Editor.

AN IMPORTANT MEETING.

The Settlers' Association of British Columbia held a very important meeting in New Westminster a few days ago, at which the need of railways in the district south of the Fraser was fully discussed. Mr. Thrift was the first speaker. He drew attention to the fact that in value the agricultural products of the province are equal to all the gold and silver produced here, and hence that the development of agriculture was a matter of the first importance. He spoke of the deplorable waste of timber in clearing land because of the lack of facilities for getting it to a market. Referring to the C. P. R., he said that the policy of that road was not in the interests of the Fraser Valley, because it was the interest of the company to develop the Northwest rather than the farming districts in this province. He argued for railway connection with New Westminster by means of a bridge and a railway to Chilliwack, which he thought ought to be owned by the provincial government.

Mr. J. C. Brown, M.P.P., took much the same position, and said that he was inclined to think Mr. Dunsmuir would look favorably upon the proposition. He was glad to be able to say that he believed Mr. Dunsmuir had the interests of the country at heart, and that he wished to bring down a railway policy which would advance the welfare of the whole province. He felt that they could appeal with confidence to Mr. Dunsmuir for a recognition of their just claims.

Mr. John Oliver, M.P.P., said that what was wanted was not only a railway to Chilliwack, but one extending all the way to Kootenay. Present conditions discouraged settlers, he said, and better communication was also needed, so that the valuable timber south of the Fraser might be turned to good account commercially.

Mr. C. W. Munro, M.P.P., also urged the building of a line from the Coast to Kootenay, which, he said, he wanted the government to take up. He thought the policy of the C. P. R. was to take advantage of the long haul from the Northwest rather than develop near-by districts.

Mr. Hill-Tout, president of the association, made the startling statement, that at Abbotsford fully 75 per cent. of the ranches had been abandoned and were growing up with trees. A great exodus had taken place two years ago, but since then, Mr. Thrift had assumed the lead of an agitation for improved conditions with excellent results. The settlers have been given their timber rights, and now can get land free; but something was needed to enable them to realize upon the timber. He believed that the government were alive to the necessities of the Lower Fraser, where population had increased in the last ten years. He believed a railway would bring back many of the people, who had deserted their farms in discouragement. Mr. Hill-Tout expressed the greatest confidence in Mr. Dunsmuir as a man "honestly bent upon doing what is best for the whole people."

Mr. Towlan spoke in advocacy of a railway to Kootenay. Mr. Graham, of Langley, illustrated the difficulties in the matter of transportation under which the settlers are laboring. Mr. Jones, of Clover Valley, expressed the hope that means would be provided to enable the settlers to send timber to a market, and promised that, if they were, more land would be cleared and many fat cattle would be marketed. Alderman Macdonald urged the people of New Westminster to take action by circulating petitions. Mr. McGillivray thought that the enormous progress of Kootenay would make a direct railway a success from the start, and he favored a government road. Alderman Adams added his testimony to that of others as to the need of action, and said the people of New Westminster would lend all their influence. Mr. McKee, of the Delta, expressed his strong appreciation of the movement. Alderman Sinclair thought the Fraser farmers would be

helped if the duty on hay were increased. Mr. J. H. Ladner gave his hearty endorsement of the proposed railway to Kootenay, and said it was not to be a government work, there ought to be government control of the rates. Mr. Oliver expressed the view that government control of rates would be more important than government ownership, and after some further debate, resolutions were passed to secure signatures to the following petitions:

To the Hon. the Premier and the Hon. the Government of British Columbia: Honorable Gentlemen,—The petition of the undersigned respectfully sheweth: Your petitioners are residents and settlers in the agricultural districts south of the Fraser river, comprising the municipalities of Delta, Surrey, Langley, Matsqui, Sumas and Chilliwack. That railway connection between the above named districts and the Coast cities of Westminster, Vancouver and Victoria, and, as soon as possible, the mining interests of Kootenay, is most urgently required, together with a railway and traffic bridge over the Fraser river at New Westminster.

That your petitioners believe the immediate construction of this railway to run east at least as far as Chilliwack and bridge is a matter of paramount importance not only to the districts and cities mentioned, but also to the province at large.

That the section of country between the Coast and the mountains south of the river, is the largest tract of agricultural land available for settlement, in one block, in the province, and yet largely owing to the lack of railway communication with the markets of the province, a very large proportion of these lands are lying waste and unproductive, while immense quantities of agricultural produce are imported from foreign and outside sources, to the value of several millions of dollars annually. That the construction of this very important work will not only open up and develop the section of country traversed by it, and thus in a measure prevent the constant drain upon the resources of the province, but will also cause a great influx of population, and be the means of establishing local industries, such as saw, shingle and pulp mills, thus utilizing our extensive natural resources, which interests have been destroyed in the process of clearing the land.

Your petitioners believe, in view of the importance of this work, and its value to the future interests of the province, that no charter should be granted to any company, giving them exclusive control of the railway and particularly of the bridge.

Your petitioners respectfully request the work may be undertaken and constructed in the interest and for the benefit of the province at large.

To the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, P. C., Premier of the Dominion of Canada, and the Hon. the Government of Canada:

The petition of the undersigned respectfully sheweth:

Your petitioners are residents, settlers and property owners in the agricultural municipalities of Delta, Surrey, Langley, Matsqui, Sumas and Chilliwack, in the province of British Columbia.

Your petitioners desire to urge the great necessity existing for railway communication between the municipal districts and the Coast cities of the province by means of a bridge over the Fraser river at the city of New Westminster, thereby giving us access to the markets of our own province.

That the section of country in which your petitioners reside has not enjoyed, in common with more favored portions of the Dominion, the great measure of prosperity that has been vouchsafed during the past few years. This fact is largely owing to the almost utter lack of facilities for reaching our markets. That the lands within the municipalities referred to are largely undeveloped, waste and unproductive, and in great need of population.

That your petitioners believe the construction of the proposed railway, and bridge will very materially assist in promoting a change in the existing order of things, by affording a means of ready access to the markets; it will also cause a large influx of population, and thus the lands will become developed and productive.

Your petitioners beg respectfully to direct the attention of the honorable the government of the Dominion to the fact that a similar petition is now being prepared for presentation, strongly urging the provincial government of British Columbia to construct to a point at least as far east as Chilliwack, and operate as a provincial work, this very important railway, and bridge connection with the Coast cities.

You petitioners also pray, that a liberal subsidy may be granted at the ensuing session to aid in such government construction of both railway and bridge.


The holding of this meeting was most timely, and, while there are objections to the application of government ownership to such a railway as is proposed, there can be none to substantial governmental assistance, and with this there ought to go a supervision of rates. There is little doubt that the recent action of the people of Victoria has had its effect in the Fraser Valley, by stimulating public opinion. There is nothing more contagious than enthusiasm. We hope the time is not far distant when the farmer in the Fraser Valley will have his choice between putting his produce in a car bound for Kootenay, and loading it on one bound for the north end of Vancouver Island, to be transhipped thence to the Yukon Valley. The hour has come for a general advance. Let the decks be cleared for action and the command be given to go forward. Mr. Dunsmuir has resting upon him a weighty responsibility. If he brings to bear upon it his sound common sense and business judgment, he will certainly discharge it in a manner calculated to advance the welfare of the whole province. British Columbia's policy at present should be a simple business proposition, and should be approached in a business-like way.

THE RACE CRY.

Now that the elections are all over, one can speak on matters relating to the national welfare without laying himself open to the charge that he is endeavoring to aid one political party or injure the other. We have in this, as they have in every other community in Canada, men who are partisans first and Canadians afterwards. To such people the supreme test of everything that may be advanced in a newspaper is its possible effect upon the prospects of their particular party. They are in a small minority, but they manage to make

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themselves heard very often. They prevent the discussion of public questions upon broad grounds, because they associate with every public matter the individuals connected with it. We believe that the time has come in Canada when purely partisan considerations must be thrown aside and the political situation be faced boldly and without regard to what happens to any particular set of politicians.

The solidity of Quebec in support of the Liberal party is greatly to be regretted. It would not be so, if this solidity was not due in a very large degree to racial reasons. It is a most unfortunate thing, and may be exceedingly perilous, for any large element of the population to be permanently divided from the others by lines of racial cleavage. No one can hope to see the ultimate result of such a trend of things if it is not arrested. Means must be found, and found immediately, to restore matters to their original condition and eliminate the race cry wholly from our politics. For this purpose it is necessary to inquire how the existing cleavage originated, or rather in what it originated. But first we may speak of what it did not originate in. It did not originate in any attempt by the French to claim more from the English than they were entitled to. It did not originate in an effort by the English to deprive the French of anything which was their just due. It was not the outcome of legislation nor of the refusal to legislate. Nothing which any government did, nothing which any political party proposed to do, drove the French constituencies together in an almost solid phalanx in support of one party. As a constant succession of light blows will split a heavy stone, if they are directed along the natural line of cleavage, so a constant succession of things, small in themselves, will produce racial cleavage, when they are directed against racial susceptibilities. It does not make the least difference as to the object with which the natural feelings of a people have been touched. The masses do not take the trouble to inquire into motives. Nor is the fault by any means all on one side. Politicians are much the same, no matter in what party they are found, or from what nationality they trace their descent. If a member of one party says something that a member of the opposite party can use to his advantage, the latter is almost certain to so employ it, even though he may know perfectly well that, in so doing he is appealing to prejudices which ought not to be aroused, and is exciting sentiments that should never be indulged in. It may be conceded that nothing was said by the Conservative leaders during the recent campaign which ought to have been construed as hostile to the people of Quebec, but things were said that were so construed. Attacks upon individuals were interpreted to mean attacks upon a race. There was lack of judgment on the one side and lack of

principle on the other, and, perhaps, something of both on both sides.

Knowing the cause, it ought not to be difficult to discover the remedy. We think it is to be sought first in a determination by English-speaking Canadians to say nothing which will give color to the idea that there is among the majority any disposition to assume a hostile or unfriendly attitude to the French-speaking minority. The French-Canadians are disposed to be on very friendly terms with their English-speaking fellow-countrymen. They are jealous of their language and religion, but no one wishes to interfere with the latter, and it is too late to talk of changing the former. Time was when Quebec might have been Anglicized by law, but that is past and gone. The Anglicization of the French-Canadians will only be accomplished by the slow process of commercial and social intercourse. The spread of education in Quebec, the comingling of the two races in other parts of the Dominion, united action on subjects of national interest, the opening of new parts of the country—these and similar causes will in time bring about a more complete unity between the two elements of the population than has hitherto been possible; but while these processes are working themselves out, there must be mutual forbearance in respect to each other's idiosyncrasies.

The responsibility of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in this juncture and in this connection is great. He can prevent the racial cleavage from extending further than it has gone by giving the people of Canada something new to think about. He is surely too much of a patriot to desire to hold office because he has a phalanx of French-Canadians at his back. He ought to devise, if it is possible, some broad policy which will concentrate public attention to the exclusion of everything else. The Conservative members of parliament and the Conservative press ought to do their share to the promotion of unity by accepting their defeat in good part and by dealing with broad questions relating to national development. The responsibility of Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition is only a little less than that of Her Majesty's Government. A part of its duty is to accept the inevitable without acrimony, and to avoid anything calculated to stir up strife. The Opposition is not responsible for the policy of the country, but it is responsible for the manner in which that policy is discussed. It is responsible to see that in the honorable strife of politics nothing is said or done on its part that will militate against the well-being of the country. We believe that the Conservatives of Canada will realize their duty in this regard, and that any effort that the government may make to prevent the lines of racial cleavage from extending any further than they do now, will be promptly seconded by them, even if in so doing they may have to abandon political ammunition, which might with some reason be employed against their

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BOYS' SUIT SALE.

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2-piece Suits for Boys' from 8 to 13 years, for	\$2.90
The 3-piece Suits advertised at \$3.75 were about all sold yesterday, but we shew to-day some double-breasted Tweed Suits worth \$5.75 for	\$3.25
All Wool Halifax Tweed Suits, worth \$4.65, for	\$2.90

Men's Pants.

Still a good assortment to choose from at.....\$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50
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Men's Black Satin Mufflers, lined, quilted satin..... 75c and \$1.00
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Still a nice assortment, but the best are getting picked out. A few new silk smoking jackets came in yesterday all colors and sizes..... \$4.50 each

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Silk Pajama Suits, very nobby.... \$8.75
 Some very nice silk and mixed suits at.....\$3.90 and \$5.75
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opponents. Patriotism sometimes demands of a party that it shall forget the game of politics in response to the demands of the nation's welfare.

In Calgary, according to the veracious Albertan of that energetic town, it is necessary to go out with a lasso and catch people to fill seats at the aldermanic board.

And now the Toronto World wants the Conservative leadership left in abeyance until after the next session. Why any one should ever have favored any other course was always beyond the comprehension of the Colonist.

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Time.	Height above zero	Time.	Height above zero
6:00 a.m.	8.4 feet	7:10 a.m.	8.3 feet.
10:00 a.m.	8.0 feet	11:00 a.m.	7.8 feet.
2:10 p.m.	9.0 feet	3:30 p.m.	8.6 feet.
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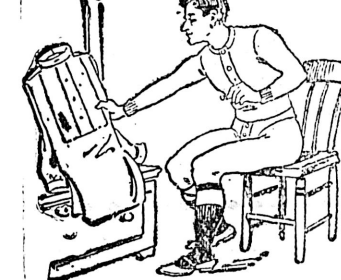
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Mr. Spencer will sail from New York and go direct to London, afterwards visiting the other points mentioned. He will be absent a period of three months. Heretofore two trips to European markets have sufficed to keep the Arcade up-to-date in its stock, but this year no less than four trips will have been made. This will serve to indicate to what enormous proportions the business is growing.

Asked by a Colonist reporter as to how the business done during 1900 compared with former years, Mr. Spencer stated that the volume of trade done this year was much in excess of any previous twelve months. For 20 years the business has been steadily growing, and today "Spencer's Arcade" is known as one of the most complete departmental stores in Western Canada.

In company with Mr. Chris Spencer, a few minutes was spent by the Colonist reporter in making a round of the different departments. The tour was in the city, as executive. Upon his being invited from Manila, in February, 1899, he went to live with his grandmother, Mrs. H. P. Nichols, of Monterey, Cal. In September or October of that year he came to British Columbia, and a few weeks later enlisted in the first Canadian contingent, and going to South Africa, was killed at Paardeburg. Upon hearing of her grandson's death, Mrs. Nichols looked through his effects, which he had left with her, and found the book and will, which she forwarded to Mrs. Todd.

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There is another unusual will in the hands of Mr. Belyea, and for which he yesterday applied for probate, the application standing over. It is the will of John Todd, one of the Victorians who went to South Africa with the first Canadian contingent, and fell at Paardeburg. Under ordinary circumstances, any serial will answer for the will of a soldier or sailor on active service, even letters to relatives having been accepted by courts as wills. But this is an unusual case. Todd was born of United States of American parents. In 1898 he enlisted in the United States cavalry and went to the Philippines. In company with the other members of his regiment, he was given what is called a soldier's book, on two pages of which are blank forms for a will. While in the his own handwriting, leaving what he had to relatives, and naming his mother, Mrs. Sarah E. Todd, of this city, as executrix. Upon his being invalided from Manila, in February, 1899, he went to live with his grandmother, Mrs. H. P. Nichols, of Monterey, Cal. In September or October of that year he came to British Columbia, and a few weeks later enlisted in the first Canadian contingent, and going to South Africa, was killed at Paardeburg. Upon hearing of her grandson's death, Mrs. Nichols looked through his effects, which he had left with her, and found the book and will, which she forwarded to Mrs. Todd.

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Overture—"Dramatique".....Keler Bela
Chorus—"A Russian Carriage".....Thornton
Solo—"The Star Melodist".....Clorinda
Spanish Castanet Dance in Costume.....Marion
Valse (by request) "Souvenir from Erlin".....Miss Elaine Telfor.
.....Bennet
Intermission.

Medley Selection—"The Winner".....Mackie
(Introducing "Cinderella," "My Sunday Dolly," "Daddy's Going to Bring You Something Nice," "Just One Girl," "Miss Helen Hunt," "Just as the Sun Went Down," "Lazy Bill," "All Bound Round With a Wooden String," "Hats Off to the Boys Who Made Good," and "Grand Finale.")
Sailors' Hornpipe, in costume.....Miss Elaine Telfor.

Patrol—"The Crack Regiment".....Braham
Valse—"Symphony".....Braham
Finale March—"Off to Camp".....Silverberg
"God Save the Queen."

Bad Record.—In all the cities of the Coast the police are congratulating themselves upon the fact that they will be rid, for a time at least, of a number of tough characters. Chief Langley and his men played a prominent part in bringing about this happy fact, seven months ago, when during the last couple of months having long criminal records. One of them, Moran, convicted on the charge of stealing a watch from McCandless Bros., has travelled under many aliases, and has been convicted of numerous thefts and one highway robbery.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE MEMORIAL.

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PETER ROBINSON.

WANTS BELLS.

Sir:—With regard to a fitting memorial of our brave comrades who were killed in the South African war, I beg to make the following suggestion: That an hourly chime of bells be placed in connection with the City hall clock, set to the tune of "Bells of the Home Front," by this means the whole city would constantly be reminded of this noble sacrifice, even when at home. Also, that a handsome memorial be placed either outside, or in the Drill hall, detailing the circumstances with the names of each who gave his life in his country's cause.

ONE OF THE FIFTH.

THE PROPOSED MEMORIAL.

Sir:—I am glad to see that so far public opinion seems to be strongly in favor of a monument, ornamental, rather than useful. However, if one of a suitable character and well situated is decided on, surely nothing else can so constantly remind us, our visitors, and future generations of the great deeds of the history of the province. It seems strange, too, that any doubt should exist as to the form of the monument; have not these lives been laid down out of love and patriotism for this great Empire and the venerable and beloved monarch whose sagacity and thoughtful tact has been primarily responsible for knitting it together: is not our city, the capital of our adopted province, named after her: what then could be more appropriate than to have her portrait placed perpetually before the large number of old and young in this Western corner, who will never have the honor of beholding the original, provided, of course, that it is executed in such a manner as not to be a caricature. The only uncertainty may be the question of cost and government support: It would seem unfair to expect the latter for a purely Victoria monument without giving the same to other cities, so that we seem to come back to what has been before suggested, namely, endeavor to get a part of the province to put patriotism, before personal feelings, which they would not do if it were approached, and all join hands in erecting something that will be as great a credit as our parliament buildings. But for goodness' sake, let someone "GET A MOVE ON."

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TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

The second supplementary estimate of £16,000,000, issued in London yesterday, makes the total army estimates for the year £22,390,103.

The statement of the British board of trade for the month of November shows an increase of £5,488,000 in imports, and £22,700 in exports.

The revenue of the Dominion for November shows an increase for five months of \$1,400,000.

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points of strength in a number of individual stocks among the low priced railroads, but a demoralized tone in one or two of the industrial more than counterbalanced this. There was a suspicion that local movements of the banks for the last few weeks are not to be relied on. These gains have been due to the operations of a single bank to a large extent, in which is centered one of the most important interests in the financial world, including the banks in copper mining stocks. The course of Amalgamated Copper during the week has given rise to the apprehension that interests identified with it need not be expected to have taken measure to conserve the general money market situation. Even the Erie securities yielded temporarily on the denial of a story attempting to explain the movement by alleging that the company had purchased the Pennsylvania Coal Co. Both the stocks and bonds, however, rallied subsequently to the top prices. Besides this strength was shown by the St. Louis and San Francisco stocks, led by the second pfd., with an advance of 2 1/2, and the New York Central & Hudson, Chicago & St. Louis stocks led by the second pfd., with an advance of 4 1/2.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

(Furnished by Richards & Blashfield.)

New York, Dec. 7.—The closing quotations on the Stock Exchange to-day were as follows:	
American Tobacco	105 1/2
American Sugar, ex div.	124 1/2
Anacosta Mining Co.	47 1/2
A. T. & S. F.	82 1/2
A. T. & S. F. pfd.	82 1/2
American Steel & Wire	42
Baltimore & Ohio	79
Baltimore & Ohio, pfd.	84 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	50 1/2
Canada Southern	78
C. & B. Q.	134 1/2
Chicago Gas	97 1/2
Chicago & Northwestern	114
C. H. & P.	114
C. M. & St. P.	125 1/2
Continental Tobacco	33 1/2
Continental Tobacco, pfd.	189 1/2
Consolidated Gas, N. Y.	90 1/2
Colorado Fuel & Iron	50 1/2
C. C. & S. L.	96 1/2
Delaware & Hudson	25 1/2
Denver & Rio Grande	80
Federal Steel	49 1/2
Federal Steel, pfd.	102 1/2
General Electric	107 1/2
Glucose Co.	52 1/2
Jersey Central	148
Kansas & Texas	37 1/2
Manhattan Elevator	50 1/2
Missouri Pacific	50 1/2
Metropolitan Traction	166 1/2
National Lead	18 1/2
Norfolk & Western	92 1/2
Northern Pacific	69 1/2
Northern Pacific, pfd.	82
N. Y. C. & H.	141 1/2
N. Y. C. & H. pfd.	141 1/2
N. Y. E. & W. pfd.	45 1/2
N. Y. O. & W.	24 1/2
Pacific Mail	43 1/2
Pressed Steel	82 1/2
Pressed Steel, pfd.	82 1/2
Philadelphia & Reading	20 1/2
Southern Railway	17 1/2
Southern Railway, pfd.	41 1/2
Texas Pacific	62 1/2
U. S. Leather	108 1/2
U. S. Leather, pfd.	108 1/2
U. S. Rubber	26 1/2
U. S. Rubber, pfd.	78
Union Pacific	70 1/2
Wabash	22 1/2
Wabash, pfd.	22 1/2
C. P. R. in London	82 1/2
Consolidated Cable	172 1/2
Money on call firm at 4 to 5 per cent; last loan 5 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4 to 4 1/2 per cent. Sterling exchange weak at \$4.85 to \$4.86 for demand, and at \$4.87 for 60 days. Post rates \$1.82 to \$1.83. Commercial bills \$4.80 to \$4.81. Bar silver 64 1/2. Mexican dollars 50 1/2. Government bonds weak.	

DAILY MARKET QUOTATIONS.

(Furnished by B. Williams & Co.)

New York, Dec. 7.—The following quotations ruled on the Produce Exchange to-day:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	79 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2	79 1/2
July	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2
Corn—				
Dec.	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2
Jan.	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2
New York, Dec. 7.—The following quotations ruled on the Stock Exchange to-day:				
Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	
Amn. Sugar	124	124 1/2	123 1/2	124 1/2
Amn. Tobacco	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2
P. G. Chicago	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2
C. M. & St. P.	125 1/2	127 1/2	125 1/2	125 1/2
C. B. & Q.	134 1/2	135 1/2	134 1/2	134 1/2
M. S. R.	108 1/2	108 1/2	107 1/2	107 1/2
D. & P.	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
B. R. T.	70 1/2	71	69 1/2	70 1/2
A. S. & P. pfd.	83 1/2	83 1/2	82 1/2	83 1/2
S. P. com.	41 1/2	41 1/2	40 1/2	41 1/2
A. S. & W. com.	42 1/2	42 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2
B. & O.	70 1/2	70 1/2	69 1/2	70 1/2
L. & N. com.	82 1/2	82 1/2	81 1/2	82 1/2
U. P. com.	71 1/2	71 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2
Can. Tob.	34 1/2	34 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2
Fed. Steel	49 1/2	49 1/2	48 1/2	49 1/2
N. P. com.	70 1/2	70 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2
N. P. pfd.	81 1/2	82	81 1/2	81 1/2
T. C. & I.	63 1/2	63 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
A. & S. P. com.	58 1/2	58 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2
Money loaning at 4 per cent.				

CHICAGO MARKETS.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—No. 2 Hard 71 1/4; May 73 1/4. Corn—No. 2 Dec. 37 1/4; Jan. 36 1/4; May 23 1/4. Oats—No. 2 Dec. 21 1/4; May 23 1/4.

BANK CLEARINGS.

New York, Dec. 7.—The bank clearings for the principal cities of the Dominion of Canada for the week are as follows: Toronto—\$15,582,679; Dec. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 1900. Montreal—\$12,045,201; Dec. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 1900. Halifax—\$1,052,139; Dec. 5, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 1900. Hamilton—\$1,048,102; Dec. 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 1900. Vancouver—\$815,523; Dec. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 1900. Victoria—\$847,300; Dec. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 1900.

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THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office.
Victoria, Dec. 7-8 p.m.
SYNOPSIS.

The barometer, though rising a little over the northern part of the province, has fallen along the coast, the effect, probably, of a still distant ocean disturbance. The low barometer area which on Thursday night was centered in Cariboo, has moved rapidly to Manitoba. The high area, though still in Oregon, is breaking up, and has commenced a southward movement. The weather over the Pacific Coast region has been mostly cloudy, with little precipitation, but considerable fog between the ranges, and at some points on the coast. Temperatures, though mild, have been a little lower. In the Northwest the weather is fair, and not unseasonably cold.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	40	49
New Westminster	40	46
Kamloops	40	46
Barkerville	34	40
Calgary	32	40
Winnipeg	26	34
Portland, Ore.	34	40
San Francisco, Cal.	42	62

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m.—(Pacific time)—Saturday:
Victoria and vicinity: Light or moderate northerly and easterly winds; mostly cloudy, with stationary or lower temperature.
Lower Mainland: Light winds; cloudy and somewhat cooler.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, Dec. 7.

	Deg.	Mean.	Deg.
5 a.m.	48	48	48
Noon	48	48	48
5 p.m.	48	48	48

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m. 4 miles east.
Noon Calm.
5 p.m. 2 miles northeast.

Average state of weather—Cloudy.
Rain—0.1 inch.
Barometer at noon—Observed.....30.152
Corrected.....30.159

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Barometer at 5 p.m.—Corrected.....30.18

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PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS.

Park on Upper Pandora Avenue and

Reclamation of Mud Flats.

There are two important notices of motions on the bulletin board of the city hall, both aiming at much needed improvements. They will be moved at Monday evening's meeting of the council. The first is signed by Ald. Beckwith, and is:

"That whereas it is advisable to take the necessary steps to improve and beautify that portion of Pandora street to the east of Vancouver street by grading the same, laying out roads, walks and lawns, and planting trees, shrubs, etc., there, in order that it may be used for park purposes; and whereas it is expedient that such work of improvement be done under the local improvement system; Therefore, be it resolved, that the city council hereby determine that said work be carried out under the provision of the Local Improvement By-law and amendments thereof."

The second, signed by the Mayor, follows:

"I hereby give notice, that at the next meeting of the city council I shall recommend to the council the following resolution, viz: That a special committee be appointed to consider and report upon plans and estimates, submitted herewith, for the reclamation and utilization of the James Bay tidal flats, and for the construction of a stone retaining wall with steps and landing and permanent roadway on or near the site of the present James Bay bridge.

Won the Quilt.—Mr. B. J. Perry, holding ticket No. 26, won a handsome quilt, raffled by the ladies of the R. C. cathedral during the recent bazaar. The drawing took place yesterday.

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Local Branch

Is Formed

Victoria District Good Roads

Association Established

Last Night.

Committee Appointed to Further

the Objects of the Organization.

A meeting of the Good Roads Association was held last night in the board of trade rooms, for the purpose of forming a Victoria District Good Roads Association in conjunction with the Provincial Good Roads Association. There were present: D. R. Ker, H. Cuthbert, J. Jardine, Capt. Black and H. Webb. On the motion of John Jardine, the following were appointed as a committee to further organize the association: H. Cuthbert, J. Jardine, Capt. Black, H. Webb, W. H. Bone, J. Fullerton and P. C. Macgregor, for Victoria; Watson Clark, Okanagan; Frank Sere, Cedar Hill; Dr. Tolmie, Mount Tomin; J. Jardine, Esquimalt; J. Shaw and H. Bantzons, Colwood; Edward Clark and H. Shirley, Otter Point; W. R. Stuart, Hatley Park; W. Fisher and H. Field, Metcalchin; Edwin John, W. Johnson and M. Mitchell, Saanich; Jas. Phair, Goldstream, and E. Milne and J. Moore, Sooke.

The following letter, explanatory of the movement, and offering suggestions for good roads being secured, was received from Capt. Black:

"As many people do not seem to properly understand what is desired, a few words will not be amiss.

"As I have had over 30 years' experience on the frontier, and more or less connection with road and trail making, and opening up a new country, in both Canada and the United States, I feel that I may be able to make a few suggestions.

"1. All political parties should unite and impress upon the government of the day the importance of leaving no day the important necessity of making appointments for road purposes, and to employ the best men available, irrespective of party.

"2. Divide the province into counties, counties into townships, and incorporate them into municipalities, with power to raise money to build roads within the separate municipalities.

"3. Appoint a competent civil engineer for each county, to have full charge of all roads in his county; make surveys and locate all roads and trails; superintend the expenditure of all moneys pertaining to roads in the county. The salary should be sufficient to secure competent men.

"4. Section men should be employed continually on all main roads, every five to ten miles, to keep the road in repair.

"5. In opening up new countries, by trails or roads, the first thing to be done should be the survey and location of the line, etc., in the best place possible, for grades, etc., in just the same way as if laid out for a railroad line.

"6. The main roads to be built and maintained by the provincial government; all the other roads to be built at the expense of the municipality.

"We will now suppose that all the above systems are in force in the province, and that the government has granted enough money to open a pack-trail in some new portion of the province, to be a mining camp, for instance. The first thing to do would be for the government to give instructions to the county engineer for the district, advising him of the amount of money granted, and to proceed and make the surveys.

"The engineer would, after making the survey, figure out how much he could do with the grant, and he would then see if he had sufficient to cut a pack trail, bearing in mind that at some future time he would be necessary to build a wagon road on this same line. Hence the necessity for a careful survey as regards grade, etc. All that could be done the first year would be the locating and cutting out the trail, say 10 feet wide.

"The second year a further grant should be made, and after figuring out what he could do with the appropriation, he could conclude if he had enough to cut the timber out, say 20 feet wide, and put in a ditch on the upper side.

"The third year a further grant was made, sufficient to grade the road into a wagon road, and then section men should be appointed. After this should come the macadam. Of course, the better way would be to do all this in one year. We will suppose that a settlement is formed on this road, enough settlers to be incorporated into a municipality, and they wish to build some branch roads. They should have power to borrow money for this purpose on the credit of the municipality. The municipal authorities would inform the government, asking them to instruct the engineer to make the necessary surveys, and see to the expenditure of the money.

"Compare this with the system at present. A grant is made by the government of the day for a road or trail. The money is handed to John Brown, general merchant, Sleepy Hollow. A number of his customers, who owe him money, are employed at the highest possible rate, and the amount is expended in a good fellow, but knows very little about road making. These men have hay to make, and the roadwork must be put off till that is done; consequently the work is done late in the fall, shovelling snow and mud on the road while traffic is going on, making the road far worse than before.

"The next year, John Smith, another supporter of the government, thinks he ought to have a show. He employs men, and goes through the same performance, with the difference that his foreman thinks it is the chance of his life to im-

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mortgage himself as an engineer, will change a mile or two of the road, with out any reference to the general lay of the country, and expend the most of the grant on his pet scheme. The government then goes out of power, and the opposition steps in.

"The same performance is gone through, with little benefit to the road, with perhaps, changing the road back to where it was before. Now, I think that you will see that if the county engineer had the handling of the money, his object would be to keep his position, and have the best roads in the province. Politics would have nothing to do with him. The voters would have nothing to do with the expenditure, say that it would relieve them."

INTERESTING LECTURE.

Mr. Macmillan Speaks on "Human Destiny in Social Economics."

Yesterday evening, in the A.O.U.W. hall, Mr. John Macmillan gave a very interesting and instructive lecture on "Human Destiny in Social Economics." The president of the federated societies acted as chairman. There were about 100 people present, and the lecture was heard with great interest, as the long and exciting debate at the conclusion showed.

Mr. Macmillan commenced his lecture by saying that a starting point was a belief in the existence of a Supreme Being. It was in man's power to elevate himself to the height designed by the Creator. Man's first impression of God might be found in the narrative of the Flood. The highest kind of mind to-day looked out on the wicked world with sympathy; looked upon God as a saint always helping man. With wickedness man's condition had been almost unendurable before it was decided to destroy the world in the Flood. The Jews believed that God had chosen them for favor. The act of shedding blood tended to degrade man. The greatest commandment in the second division is "Thou shalt not kill." God's teaching was that we should reap what we sowed. To overcome evil with good was greater than the power of the sword.

Mr. Macmillan then read some accounts of conditions in England from General Booth's "The Darkest England." The character of the struggle enlighten Englishmen have to live. A man had been away from England for fourteen years. He returned to begin life again. Day after day he searched for work. Days grew into weeks, weeks to months. He could get nothing to do. His clothes began to wear out. His appearance was against him. At last he came to his last shilling, his last meal. What was he to do? It was a case of going hungry or becoming a thief. In 1888 the number of unemployed men was 20,000. The lecturer then read an account of the struggle for work at the London docks. Time, 12.25; about 1,000 men are waiting; at 1.30 there was a general rush. Men engaged the evening before showed tickets and passed through the gates, to the number of 600. Of the 600 others, about 20 were picked. At 8 o'clock the men outside must withdraw. A few wait till twelve o'clock in the chance of a half day's work. The rest asked themselves the question, "What shall I do?" Home was home, however low. It was very touching how the very poor clung to a miserable piece of home. They struggled desperately, hard to meet the collector. What was the use of preaching the Gospel to men whose whole object was one mad, desperate struggle to live? New York had as much misery as London. The remedy for this evil was to turn from evil ways, strife and bloodshed, and adopt peaceful ways. What was the cause of misery in great cities? A great many men could not get work. The solution of the problem was to get man back to the soil.

Mr. Macmillan then read some verses from Russell Lowe bearing on the question, and closed his lecture by stating that the duty to institutions in the future was not the sword, but peace, goodwill and duty to God and our fellow-man.

The applause and the lively debate that followed showed how keenly interested the very poor were in the lecture. Mr. Macmillan was kept busy answering questions and explaining some of his views. After a number of gentlemen had given their opinions, the Rev. Mr. Rowe rose and proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the lecturer, which was carried unanimously. The chairman then announced that the next lecture would be "Christian Socialism," by the Rev. E. S. Rowe. The proceedings terminated with the singing of "God Save the Queen."

A FAMILY NECESSITY.

Mr. J. Wright, of 127 McPherson avenue, Toronto, says—"I am always glad to say a good word for Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine. It has been in use in our family for two years, and we have never found it fail to cure coughs, colds and chest troubles. It is our regular remedy." Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine is a family necessity in the houses of Canada and the United States. 25 cents a bottle. Family size 60 cents.

FELL FROM WINDOW.

Horace J. Hayden, a Prominent New York Railway Man Killed.

New York, Dec. 7.—Horace J. Hayden, vice-president of the New York Central & Hudson River Railway Company, was instantly killed to-day at his home at 237 West 76th street. The first his family knew of the accident was when two servants found the body of Mr. Hayden lying in the yard. A window in the fourth story was open, and it is not known whether Mr. Hayden jumped or fell out of the window. As body was found it was carried into the house and a messenger despatched for Walter Jones. On his arrival Dr. Jones pronounced Mr. Hayden dead. It was also learned that the deceased was a sufferer from nervousness and heart disease. Detectives were sent out to make an investigation.

It was said that Mr. Hayden was subject to attacks of shortness of breath, and it is supposed he had been seized with one of these attacks and had opened the window to get fresh air. When picked up he was fully dressed, and the body was yet warm. His head had been crushed in, as he had fallen on a flagstone.

IN NANAIMO.

Coal Mines, Climate, Black Rat and Wolves Engage Attention.

Nanaimo, Dec. 7.—(Special)—The old coal pit which caved in on the street on Thursday, was the first place that the old pioneers sought for the black diamonds which were afterwards to make the place so famous. The exposed pit was part of the workings in the basin which lies between the elevation on which the old Bastion stands and the edge of the ravine. When the miners, about fifty years ago, got out all the pay coal there was in the mine, they cut away many of the pillars, and then filled in the shaft as well as they could. In half a century this has shrunk considerably, as the cavity has accidentally brought to light on Thursday showed. This coal measure lay in a strange way, pushed up on the top of a slop of hard rock, and forming an immense basin, not unlike, as one spectator of the cave-in said, the big basin in which the gold workings of the Johnsbury fund are situated. It is well understood that the whole city has been pretty thoroughly undermined, but all the other shafts and tunnels are known to have been thoroughly filled in when deserted.

Proof of the mildness of the climate in this part of Vancouver Island is shown by the following weather returns, from observations made on Kuper island, south of Nanaimo, for the month of November: Rain, 4.40; melted snow, 1.10; total precipitation, 5.50 inches; mean temperature, 40.9; maximum temperature, 55.8, on the 26th; minimum temperature, 16.0, on the 21st; mean daily amount of bright sunshine, 8.39, on the 4th; number of days completely clouded, 9. The observer is the Rev. R. J. Roberts.

Mr. J. H. Good, the local auctioneer and furniture man, really did capture something worth bagging yesterday. He secured the strange-looking black rat, a couple of days ago. Mr. Fannin, of the provincial museum, was unable to "place" the brute, but killed and stuffed it, and sent it to the Smithsonian Institution, in Washington, where they have the best zoological apartment in America, and many specialists in this science. There is considerable curiosity to learn what the animal really is.

Wolves are reported to be plentiful in the neighborhood of Englishman's river. A splendid specimen of the gray timber wolf was shot there yesterday by a deer hunter.

The flourishing lodge, Nanaimo, No. 4, of the Knights of Pythias, here, elected the following officers: C.C., J. Watson; V.C., C. Rawlinson, prelate; J. Bery; M. of W., A. Manifold; K. of R. & S., J. A. McAloney; M. of E., H. Devlin; M. of P., C. Wilson; M. of A., J. G. J. Isherwood; O.G., T. Johnson.

REDUCED RATES.

For Those Attending the Farmers' Institute and Good Roads Conventions.

At the instance of the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, special rates have been accorded to delegates attending the meetings of the Central Farmers' Institute and Good Roads Association, at Victoria, on December 17, and following days, as follows:

By the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company, a single fare for round trip. Regular fare to be paid to Victoria, and a receipt taken, such receipt to be certified by the superintendent of institutes or secretary, and on presentation at office in Victoria, a free return ticket will be given.

By the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, a fare and a third, provided that not less than fifteen come by this route. Delegates to pay full fare to Vancouver, taking a standard certificate receipt from the agent, receipts to be revised by the superintendent of institutes or secretary, and on presentation at office in Vancouver within two days of close of convention, the delegates will be returned at one-third fare.

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